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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant: Kari Parmer et al.

Examiner: Eduardo Robert

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Title: TRAJECTORY GUIDE WITH INSTRUMENT IMMOBILIZER

RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

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In response to the Restriction Requirement mailed March 24, 2003, Applicant elects, without traverse, Group II (claims 15-24). Applicant respectfully cancels remaining claims 1-14 (Group I) without prejudice, and reserves the right to reintroduce them in a divisional application at a later date.

This response is accompanied by a Petition, as well as the appropriate fee, to obtain a one-month extension of the period for responding to the Restriction Requirement, thereby moving the deadline for response from April 24, 2003 to May 24, 2003.

The Examiner is invited to contact Applicants Representatives at the below-listed telephone number if there are any questions regarding this Response or if prosecution of this application may be assisted thereby.

Respectfully submitted,
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